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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Serial No.

Filed: [herewith]

For: NCAM BINDING COMPOUNDS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-55 and substitute the following new claims therefor:

-+56. A compound comprising an amino acid sequence having at the most 12 amino acid residues from the amino acid sequence of neural cell adhesion molecule (NCAM), or a mimic thereof comprising an amino acid sequence having at the most 12 amino acid residues, said compound comprising

the sequence (K/R)-X-K/R-X-K/R), wherein X is any amino acid, and/or

the sequence (K/R)-X-X-X-(K/R)-X-(E/D)-(L/I/V/F)-X-(L/I/V/F), wherein X is any amino acid residue, and/or